

DIES AT AGE PUT AT 126.

Record Shows John Drysdale, West Virginian, Was Born in 1796.

CLARKSBURG, W. Va., Aug. 27.—John Drysdale, a farmer, said to be 126 years old, died at his home, near Craigsville, according to a dispatch received here today.

Drysdale was born in Scotland and a family record gives 1796 as the year of his birth. The centenarian is survived by several relatives. Those who live on his farm regard his birth record as authentic.

Commander James S. Taylor.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 27. — Commander James Spottiswoode Taylor, Medical Corps, U. S. N., died today at the Philadelphia Navy Yard Hospital. He was born Dec. 10, 1870, at the University of Virginia. In recent years he was Editor of The Navy Bulletin, issued by the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery of the Navy Department.

Gen. Louis Jacob Van Deventer.

JOHANNESBURG, Union of South Africa, Aug. 27.—Lieut. Gen. Sir Louis Jacob Van Deventer, Commander-in-Chief in East Africa, 1917-19, died suddenly today. General Van Deventer served in the South African War as second in command to General Smuts, 1899-1902.

Obituary Notes.

Miss GRACE MARGARET GOULD, fashion editor of the Woman's Home Companion for the last nineteen years, and previously well known as a writer on fashions, died Saturday afternoon in her apartment in the Hotel Lucerne of bronchial pneumonia following a long illness. She is survived by her mother who lived with her. Services will be held Tuesday at the Rural Cemetery in Albany, Miss Gould's birthplace.

HEZEKIAH HAND, 72 years old, former Justice of the Peace in Plainfield, N. J., and Constable of Union County, died yesterday at his home in Plainfield.

Mrs. JENNIE E. MATTHEWS, Past Worthy Matron of the Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, died at Long Beach, Cal., Saturday, aged 80. She was one of the founders of the Eastern Star.

Dr. ROBERT G. CANTRELL, for half a century a dentist in the Bedford section of Brooklyn, died Friday at his residence, 53 McDonough Street, Brooklyn, after a six years' illness, at the age of 72. He acted in fifty-three plays of the Atheneum, a Brooklyn dramatic society, and years ago traveled about the country giving "Mrs. Jarley's Wax Works" with local talent.

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